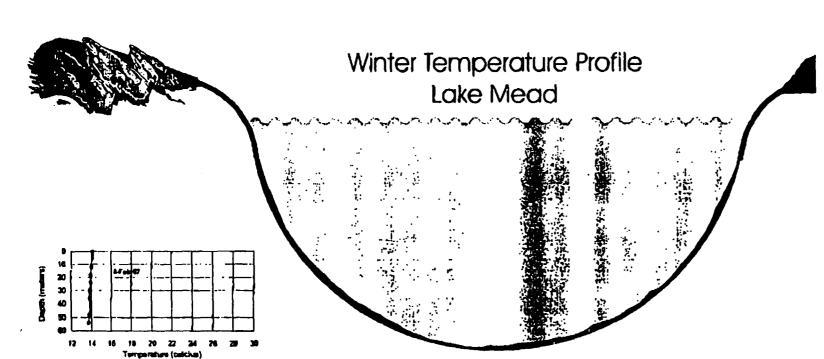


In the spring and summer, the lake water begins to thermally stratify. A thermocline develops that separates the cold, lower zone form the warm uppe zone and acts as a barrier any mixing. During this tim period the warm Las Vega Wash water enters the lake and lays on top of the thermocline. There is no mixing between the upper and lower zones.



In the winter, water temperatures are constar from the lake's surface to the bottom. All water sources entering the take are completely mixed and water quality parameter values remain consistent throughout the water column.